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Art Unit 2664
Examiner Kamran Emdadi

In Re: Steven J. Schwartz et al.
Case: IBN-0011
Serial No.: 09/333,218
Filed: 06/15/1999
Subject: Apparatus and Method for Scaling a Switching
Fabric in a Network Switching Node

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To the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir,

Response A

In the claims:

All claims standing for examination are reproduced below.